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Washington, D.C. 20231

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed on January 26, 2001.

The requested extension is for three (3) month(s), extending the period for response to July 26, 2001.

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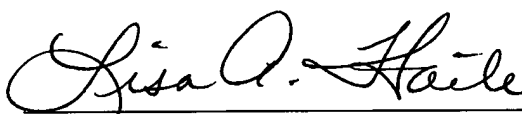
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Check No.483673 in the amount of \$445.00 is enclosed for the three (3) month(s) Extension of Time, which is believed to be the TOTAL amount due for this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 7/26/01



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